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Arizona Acreage Survey Results

Arizona's Durum wheat planted area is estimated at 75,000 acres, down 6 percent from 2005. Growers are expected to harvest 74,000 acres for grain. Other wheat area is estimated at 4,000 acres, down 1,000 acres from a year ago. Growers intend to harvest 2,000 acres for grain. The 30,000 acres planted to barley is down 4,000 acres from last year's crop. Barley area harvested for grain is estimated at 25,000 acres.

Corn planted for all purposes is estimated at 55,000 acres, up 10 percent from a year ago. Area harvested for grain is set at 23,000 acres, 1,000 acres more than last season. Sorghum planted for all purposes is estimated at 24,000 acres, up 4 percent from 2005. Area harvested for grain is set at 7,000 acres, the same as the previous year.

Arizona alfalfa hay harvested area is estimated at 250,000 acres, down 10,000 acres from 2005. All other hay area to be harvested is estimated at 45,000 acres, up 5,000 acres from last year.

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Acreage planted to upland cotton is estimated at 220,000, down 10,000 acres from last year, but the same as the March intentions. American-Pima planted area, at 7,000 acres, is 2,900 acres higher than last year.

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